

Recent Discoveries By Laura

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The first cover shown on the following page bears a copy of perfin pattern A120. This pattern is listed in the *Catalog of United States Perfins* as being used by Acme Fast Freight of Boston, MA and Milwaukee, IL. The supplemental data section provides listings of: Acme Tea & Storage Company, Long Island City, NY; Atlas Freight Inc., San Francisco, CA and having been found with post marks from Philadelphia, PA and Atlanta, GA. Here is an indication that Acme Fast Freight of Boston had become Shippers Service Express by 1937.

The second cover illustrated on the next page shows the corner card of the American Manganese Steel Company with a location of 1850 McCormick Building, Chicago, IL. This item was postmarked at

Chicago, IL at 7PM, November 20, 1917 is addressed to the renowned Norton Company in Worcester, MA. The address ensured delivery in 1917 when the United States Post Office would not have had any trouble locating the McCormick Building without a street address. Data from this cover fills in missing information about the user of perfin pattern A190 which is not listed in the current *Catalog of United States Perfins*.

The third item illustrated on the following page also helps us with information about the user of a particular perfin pattern despite its not being used postally. The Stock Sales Slip shown has revenue stamps punched with perfin pattern B262.5. This provides the identification that the user of this pattern was Boissevain & Company. From the stock sales slip we have also determined that this stock broker was located at 24 Broad Street, New York, NY.

A 120

SHIPPERS SERVICE EXPRESS

51 SLEEPER STREET
BOSTON, MASS.



MERRILL & USHER COMPANY
5-7 Arctic Street
Worcester, Mass.

A 190

After 5 days, return to
AMERICAN MANGANESE STEEL CO.,
1850 McCormick Building,
CHICAGO, ILL.



Norton Company,
Worcester, Mass.

B 262.5

No. **151** Our Line Number 60 New York, JUN - 6 1919 191

BOISSEVAIN & CO.

24 BROAD STREET
NEW YORK

SOLD TO

M. E. Hutton & Co. 981-5890

201 shares 47 1/2 94.50

...Their Line Number

